

Meeting Minutes for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Board / Tree Board Regular Meeting

September 19, 2013 7:00 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall Room 301

1. Call to Order/Attendance

The meeting was called to order by Chair Beth at 7:00 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Garry Lingerfelt, Jesse Sycuro, Katie Beth, John Hoey, Christine Southwick

Excused absence: Kevin McAuliffe, Betsy Robertson

City Staff Present: Dick Deal, Director; Kirk Peterson, Parks Superintendent; Ros Bird, Public Art Coordinator; Lynn Peterson, Administrative Assistant III

- 2. Approval of Agenda: Chair Beth called for a motion to approve the agenda as written. So moved by Ms. Southwick and seconded by Mr. Lingerfelt. The motion carried.
- 3. Approval of Minutes: Chair Beth called for the motion to approve the August PRCS Board minutes as written. So Moved by Mr. Hoey and seconded by Ms. Southwick. The motion carried.

4. Public Comment

Boni Biery, Shoreline asked that the Board consider the addition of native trees to the Approved Street Tree Replacement List. She recommended referring to the Lake Forest Park tree list.

5. Public Art Report

Ms. Bird reviewed summer arts events including Piano Time, Arts al Fresco, Finale Concert by Michael Stegner, Sculpture Stroll and the Gallery Exhibit. "From the Ground Up," temporary art installations around the City is currently underway. Up next: The Echo Lake Mural will be called "Echo in Time," Arts Crush starts in October. Artists will set up in the City Hall lobby and invite members of the public to join them. This is a regional event for the month of October. More information: artscrush.org.

6. Sunset School Park Portable Toilet

Three members of the Board met with neighbors of Sunset School Park on Saturday, September 14 to discuss the placement of the portable toilet. After hearing citizen feedback staff recommends placement next to the play shed near the center of the park. This meets ADA standards and is close to active spaces. If maintenance does not present a problem an enclosure for the toilet will be constructed. If maintenance becomes an issue the restroom may be relocated near the wall. Chair Beth called for the motion to approve the staff recommendation to place the portable restroom near the center of the park. So moved by Mr. Sycuro and seconded by Ms. Southwick. The motion carried.

7. Seattle City Light Presentation

Brent Schmidt, Manager of Support Services in charge of Vegetation Management along transmission

corridors and feeder systems gave a presentation on the Seattle City Light (SCL) line clearance tree trimming program. SCL maintains 1800 miles of distribution lines as far south as Sea Tac, Burien and unincorporated King County, east to Bothell and north to the Skagit. The feeder system is systematically maintained on a 3 to 4 year cycle. Tree trimming is based on the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Best Management Practices and national standards for tree trimming. Seattle achieved the status of Tree Line USA this year. Trees are trimmed to protect public safety and the safety of the line workers and are pruned to preserve maximum tree health according to current ISA standards. SCL is exploring ways to communicate more effectively with the public and work more collaboratively with the City. Mr. Schmidt responded to questions from the Board, staff and the public. He welcomed feedback now and in the future about how SCL can improve their processes.

8. Kruckeberg Garden Art Installation

The art donation known as "Woowa" is an abbreviation for "Wood Wave," a large redwood and copper structure created by artist Bruce Johnson from the root ball of a redwood tree. The donation and installation are funded by Shoreline resident Bruce Amundson. Ms. Bird showed photos of the piece from all angles and the installation site. Brianne Zorn, Executive Director for Kruckeberg Botanic Garden, showed current photos of the concrete poured to prepare the site for installation. Mr. Deal thanked Ms. Zorn, Ms. Bird, the garden staff and the garden board for their work to make this happen. Ms. Zorn thanked Mr. Amundson for his generous donation. After hearing the presentation and ensuing discussion Chair Beth called for the motion to approve the acceptance of this piece into the Public Art collection for use at Kruckeberg Botanic Garden. So moved by Mr. Sycuro and seconded by Ms. Southwick. The motion carried.

9. ROW Street Tree Inventory.

Mr. Deal informed the Board that the inventory, funded by a \$10,000 grant from the Department of Natural Resources, has been completed. Approximately 1800 trees have been GPS located and evaluated. The Board will be presented with the results of the evaluation as they become available. Additional information omitted from the agenda packet is attached to these September minutes.

10. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Ms. Colaizzi explained the relationship of the CIP to the PROS Plan. There are no significant diversions from the 2014 proposed CIP from the PROS Plan adopted in 2011. New projects funded by the King County Parks, Trails and Open Space Replacement Levy approved by voters in August include the continuation of improvements to Echo Lake Park, regional trail signage and the acquisition of one third of an acre to expand Paramount Open Space for \$70K. The City expects reimbursement by the County for \$35,000 for this property. Repair of the Richmond Beach Saltwater Park Bridge is being evaluated and will come to the Board before the end of 2013. Ms. Colaizzi reviewed the remainder of the CIP as it appears in the agenda packet.

11. Adjourn

Hearing no further business Chair Beth called for the motion to adjourn. So moved by Ms. Southwick and seconded by Mr. Hoey. The September meeting of the PRCS Board adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Signature of Chair

Katie Beth

Date

Signature of Minute Writer

Lynn Peterson

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